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SUBJECT: "PRG" SPOKESMAN DENIES KNOWLEDGE ON AMERICANS AT
BAN ME THUOT

REF: SAIGON 2931

1. "PRG" SPIKESMAN AT WEEKLY SAIGON PRESS CONFERENCE MARCH 22
WAS ASKED ABOUT NINE AMERICANS IN BAN ME THUOT, AS HE WAS
LAST WEEK (REFTEL). HIS REPLY, QUOTED IN FULL, WAS:
"THE ONLY THING I CAN TELL YOU RIGHT NOW IS THAT, WITH REGARD
TO THE AMERICANS AND ALL FOREIGN RESIDENTS IN SOUTH VIETNAM,
THE PRG HAS A POLICY OF PROTECTION AND ASSISTANCE. NATURALLY,
WITH REGARD TO US MILITARY ADVISERS, THERE MUST BE TREATMENT
WHICH IS APPROPRIATE TO THEIR OWN CASE. CONCERNING THESE
SPECIFIC AMERICANS OR ANY FOREIGN RESIDENTS REPORTED TO BE STILL
IN BAN ME THUOT, AS SOON AS WE HAVE SPECIFIC INFORMATION IN THIS
CONNECTION, WE SHALL NOTIFY YOU."

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2. IN ANSWER TO OTHER QUESTIONS, "PRG" SPOKESMAN ASSERTED THAT

POPULATION WAS BEING FORCIBLY EVACUATED FROM ABANDONED AREAS
BY GVN IN ORDER TO GET DRAFTEES, DENIED THAT ANY "NEGOTIATION
OR TACIT AGREEMENT" WAS MADE WITH GVN REGARDING PULLOUT, AND
CLAIMED "PRG" WAS NO LONGER RECEIVING MILITARY AID FROM DRV
SINCE PARIS AGREEMENT "WAS SIGNED MUCH SOONER THAN PREDICTED
AND OUR RESERVES WERE SUFFICIENT TO CARRY OUT A FAIRLY LONG
STRUGGLE."
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